

CHAPTER 19  
GRANTS TO NONPROFIT AND LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT HOUSING ORGANIZATIONS

**565—19.1(473) Goal.** The goal of this program is to augment restitution to Iowa low-income households who were overcharged for petroleum products during the price control period of 1974 through 1981.

**565—19.2(473) Purpose.** The purpose of this program is to establish innovative projects to provide energy conservation benefits to low-income persons residing in Iowa through grants awarded as a result of a competitive solicitation.

**565—19.3(473) Definitions.**

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of natural resources.

*“Eligible candidate”* means any local government or nonprofit organization which provides housing assistance to low-income persons in Iowa.

*“Eligible project”* means an innovative project which is not currently supported through annual federal or state appropriations and provides energy conservation benefits to low-income households in Iowa.

*“Grants”* means financial assistance in the form of cash payments to eligible candidates for certain considerations.

*“Household”* means any individual or group of individuals who are residing together as one economic unit in living quarters with established, independent cooking facilities, and for whom residential energy is customarily purchased in common, or who makes undesignated payments for energy in the form of rent.

*“Low-income”* means household incomes at or below 150 percent of the Office of Management and Budget’s federal poverty income guidelines, revisions of which are published in the federal register.

**565—19.4(473) Role of the department of natural resources.** The department of natural resources is responsible for the administration of funds for projects sponsored under these rules. The department will ensure that funds disbursed will meet guidelines established by the Iowa General Assembly, United States Department of Energy and any restrictions or guidelines provided by federal court order relating to settlement of petroleum overcharge legal proceedings.

**565—19.5(473) Funding sources.** The department will use funds appropriated by the legislature for the purpose of achieving the goals outlined in these rules.

**565—19.6(473) Eligible projects.** The department may provide grants to eligible candidates for the purpose of providing energy conservation benefits.

**565—19.7(473) Project award.** Projects will be awarded based on the following criteria. The department will determine the relative value of each of these factors in deciding which projects will receive funding. The criteria include:

1. Feasibility of the proposed project,
2. Energy and socioeconomic benefits,
3. Sustainability and innovativeness of the project, and
4. Fund matching capabilities.

These rules are intended to implement 1987 Iowa Acts, chapter 230, section 1(2) “c.”  
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